RESOLUTIONS S.C.R. 82

RESOLVED, That the department should require community centers to have a community placement appeals process in place to give families, guardians, and clients an opportunity to appeal specific community placements made by local officials; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the board members and commissioner of the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation as an official expression of the sentiment of the Legislature of the State of Texas.

Adopted by the Senate on May 9, 1989. Adopted by the House on May 26, 1989. Approved June 14, 1989.

Filed with the Secretary of State, June 16, 1989.

S.C.R. No. 82

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Subsection (b), Section 24A, Texas Public Finance Authority Act (Article 601d, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), authorized the issuance of revenue bonds to finance the construction of a new warehouse for the State Purchasing and General Services Commission (SPGSC) in Travis County; and

WHEREAS, Approximately \$1,800,000 in revenue bonds were issued by the Texas Public Finance Authority (TPFA) in December, 1987, to finance the SPGSC warehouse project; and

WHEREAS, No construction contract has been entered into for the construction of the SPGSC warehouse project; and

WHEREAS, Subsection (d), Section 5.34, State Purchasing and General Services Act (Article 601b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), directs the SPGSC to determine, in such situations, whether purchase and renovation of an existing building is a more financially advantageous means of meeting the space need than constructing the warehouse; and

WHEREAS, Subsection (d), Section 5.34, State Purchasing and General Services Act (Article 601b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), directs the commission to solicit offers for the sale of an existing building and to compare construction and purchase as fairly as possible pursuant to certain criteria established in the Act; and

WHEREAS, The SPGSC has solicited offers for the sale of an existing building and has compared construction and purchase pursuant to the established statutory criteria; and

WHEREAS, The SPGSC has determined that it would be financially advantageous to purchase and renovate an existing warehouse rather than constructing a new warehouse; and

WHEREAS, Subsection (f), Section 5.34, State Purchasing and General Services Act (Article 601b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), provides that the purchase of an existing warehouse in lieu of constructing a new warehouse must be approved by the legislature if it is in session; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 71st Legislature of the State of Texas, pursuant to the provisions of Subsection (f), Section 5.34, State Purchasing and General Services Act (Article 601b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), approves and authorizes the proceeds of the TPFA revenue bond issuance which were to be utilized to finance the construction of a new warehouse for the SPGSC to be utilized instead for the purchase and renovation of the following described property:

An existing warehouse of approximately 51,350 square feet at 6506 Bolm Road in Austin, Texas, with all improvements on approximately 185,000 square feet of land at the northwest corner of Bolm Road and U.S. Highway 183 (Ed Bluestein Blvd.) and also known as: Lot 25–A, Capitol Business Park, Unit 1–A, Travis County, being approximately 4.25 acres as recorded in Volume 10361, Page 440, Travis County Deed Records; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That if the SPGSC is unsuccessful in consummating a purchase of the previously described property, the proceeds may be utilized for the construction of the

warehouse as originally authorized and approved, unless the SPGSC should obtain future approval of the legislature or the Legislative Budget Board for the purchase and renovation of another property in lieu of construction; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be forwarded to the executive director of the State Purchasing and General Services Commission as official notice of the concurrence of the 71st Texas Legislature on this matter.

Adopted by the Senate on April 13, 1989. Adopted by the House on May 10, 1989. Approved May 24, 1989.

Filed with the Secretary of State, May 25, 1989.

S.C.R. No. 83

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Shortages of landfill and incineration capacity in other states, particularly those of the Northeast, have created interstate markets for the disposal of municipal solid waste; and

WHEREAS, Truck convoys operating 24 hours a day haul garbage along the interstate highway system from cities on the Atlantic seaboard to disposal sites west of the Appalachians; and

WHEREAS, Cheap coastal barging costs, together with low Texas rates, may attract a growing stream of solid waste shipments to this state; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Task Force on Waste Management Policy, which studied this issue the past interim, has concluded that the impact of prospective imports could be mixed, perhaps detracting from this state's ultimate disposal capacity yet serving in the meantime to generate needed revenue among Texas communities that welcome the traffic; and

WHEREAS, Long freighting distances can render certain wastes more rancid or otherwise pose public health risks to recipient locales; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 71st Legislature of the State of Texas hereby request the Texas Department of Health to review the feasibility of adopting rules to regulate imported municipal solid waste from other states to protect the public health; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be prepared and forwarded to the commissioner of health with the instruction that the commissioner keep the chairs of the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services, House Committee on Environmental Affairs, and House Committee on Public Health apprised of developments, plans, and actions regarding this issue.

Adopted by the Senate on May 4, 1989. Adopted by the House on May 26, 1989. Approved June 14, 1989.

Filed with the Secretary of State, June 16, 1989.

S.C.R. No. 84

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Fifth Post War Reunion of the Marine Photographic Squadron VMD-154 of World War II will be held October 2-5, 1980, in Portland, Maine; and

WHEREAS, The Legislature of the State of Texas is deeply honored to congratulate the members of the squadron who gather to renew old friendships and relive their shared experiences; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Elliott Bard was skipper of VMD-154 during its 14 months of operations in the South and Central Pacific; commissioned early in 1942, it was the first Marine photographic squadron to go into combat, arriving overseas October 5, 1942; and